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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Examiners in Optometry

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: December 12, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Bryan Sterling, Professional Member, President Dr. Joseph Senall, Professional Member, Secretary Dr. Jeffrey Hilovsky, Professional Member Diane Maddex, Public Member Prameela Kaza, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT

Sally Mikhail Lee Ann Shinabeny, Wesley College

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Sterling called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

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REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the July 25, 2012 meeting. Ms. Kaza made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maddex, to approve the minutes as presented. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Board reviewed an email from Susan Banks at their last meeting and requested more information about their management practices is needed before the Board could respond. Contact was made with Ms. Banks to explain the Board's request before proceeding with discussion. Ms. Banks wrote back to the Board that her client decided to not proceed with the inquiry. No action needed by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Continuing Education Request

Ms. Kaza made a motion, seconded by Dr. Hilovsky, to approve the following continuing education course:

Eye Care of Delaware LLC

Herpetic Eye Diseases – 10/17/12, 2 hours

OCT Review and Interpretation – 9/27/12, 2 hours

By unanimously vote, the motion carried.

Review of Application by Reciprocity

The Board reviewed the application of Dr. Stella Ohanenye for licensure as a therapeutic optometrist by reciprocity. Dr. Sterling made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve Dr. Ohanenye's application once Dr. Ohanenye has met the stipulations that Board wants to see completed. Maryland is not substantially similar to Delaware's requirements so, Dr. Ohanenye will need to work under a Delaware Optometrist for 40 hours before licensure will be granted in DE. A letter will be sent to Dr. Ohanenye to explain the motion made by the Board. By unanimously vote, the motion carried.

Review of Completion of Internship

The Board reviewed the letters from the supervising doctors of Dr. Scott Tucci verifying that he has completed his 6-month internship.

Dr. Sterling made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve therapeutic optometrist licensure for Dr. Scott Tucci. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Applications for Internship

The Board reviewed the application from Dr. Sally Mikhail for internship. Dr. Sterling made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve Dr. Mikhail to begin her 6-month internship. By unanimously vote, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

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There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Mikhail thanked the Board for approving her internship.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2nd floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Kaza made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maddex to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

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Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.